

GERMANS ON OFFENSIVE IN EAST PRUSSIA

Reinforcements Arrive to Stay Advance of The Russians

INDIA IS NOW PURCHASER OF SILVER BULLION PRODUCED BY TONOPAH MINES

With restrictions removed Tonopah Belmont dropped to 3 1/2 yesterday, says the Philadelphia Press of a recent date, while Tonopah Mining sold down to 6 1/2. Belmont's recent decline has been due in part to vague rumors that the dividend to be acted upon this month will be passed, although a contributing and more important factor is that a large block of the stock has been liquidated in the past few days. Question of whether this liquidation is over is one reason why the shares continued weak yesterday, the actual sales being only 2,700 shares. As stated on this page yesterday, the question of a dividend will not be considered by the board until its meeting February 24, and any reports prior to that meeting are but guess work. Belmont has a cash surplus of about \$500,000 over and above the stored

silver, which at 50 cents an ounce exceeds \$900,000 in value. To pay a dividend of 12 1/2 cents a share would require \$187,500, so that the company would have a substantial cash surplus left should the dividend be paid. Moreover, there is always the possibility of small sales of silver being consummated. In the past month Belmont sold two lots of silver for delivery to India, one of 50,000 ounces and one of 75,000 ounces. The silver netted the company 48 1/2 and 48 3/4 cents an ounce. The metal was quoted yesterday at 48 cents an ounce.

The encouraging feature connected with the sale, small as it was, is the fact that India has actually started buying again. India has been hard hit by its inability to market its

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PRESIDENT WILL CALL EXTRA SESSION UNLESS HIS SHIP BILL IS ENACTED

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The senate was in session all of last night and there are threats of a number of additional night sessions, also counter-threats of what will happen if there are. This morning still found the president's ship bill tossed about on the sea of debate. The Republican filibuster are again in full blast. President Wilson said that he had no intention of dropping the bill. He intimated that he would call a special session if it was not enacted at the present one. Senator Jones last night talked for 13 hours and 55 minutes. Senator Reed threatened to arrest the members and keep them there until the bill is disposed of. At noon the senate had been in session for 24 hours. Every seat was filled, excepting that of Senator Lewis, who was asleep near by. This was the first time in years that there was a complete representation.

SHERIFF SLAVIN MAKES ARREST OF SUSPECT OF THE DOUBLE MURDER

Sheriff Slavin, Deputy Sheriff Al Haag and Coroner Dunseath arrived from the south last night at 8:30 with Victor Barron, arrested on the charge of murdering Section Master John DeCosta and his assistant, Angelo Marino, at Ralston, on the line of the Las Vegas and Tonopah railroad, on Sunday afternoon.

The prisoner was traced southward and the pursuit continued to a point five miles north of Bonnie Claire, where he was overtaken afoot. He submitted to arrest without resist-

ance. No weapons were found in his possession, nor at the scene of the double tragedy. Sheriff Slavin found two shells on DeCosta's bed and seven outside a window which had been broken open by the murderer. The shells were from a Colt's automatic 32 calibre pistol. An inquest on the bodies will be held later by Coroner Dunseath. There is no evidence that the bodies were searched for robbery and no reason for the crime is apparent. The prisoner was formerly employed as a section hand under DeCosta.

LEGISLATURE HAS SMALLPOX SCARE

ADJOURNMENT TAKEN AND IN THE MEANWHILE CHAMBERS ARE FUMIGATED

(By Associated Press.)
PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 9.—Smallpox has been contracted by Representative Briscoe, whose ailment was diagnosed after many of his fellow legislators had visited him in his sick room. The disease has claimed another victim in the person of W. B. Lainer, reading clerk in the assembly. Both houses have adjourned for two days and the chambers of the legislature are being fumigated.

DIVORCE BILL IS NOT AN ASSURANCE

BLACKLIST MEASURE PRECIPITATES A BIG ROW IN THE LEGISLATURE

(Special to the Bonanza.)
CARSON CITY, Feb. 9.—This was a quiet day in the legislative chambers. Many bills were introduced, including some relative to irrigation and one pertaining to government buildings and reservoirs at the head of the Carson river. The latter was taken up as an emergency measure and passed both houses and was sent to the governor for signature.

The blacklist bill will take up the remainder of the afternoon in the assembly. A big fight is expected before the day is over. The divorce bill is still in committee in the senate and it is thought that it will not be recommended for passage, at least not by the full committee. McNamara of Nye introduced assembly bill No. 77 today, which fixes the compensation of county and township officials of Nye. The bureau of labor is planned to be created by a bill introduced in the senate. The editor of the Bonanza, W. W. Booth, is enjoying the session. He is seated with Leary of Ormsby in the assembly. Note—Mr. Booth did not send this telegram.

R. BRUCE STEVENSON is a visitor from Salt Lake City.

LUSITANIA DID NOT VIOLATE PRECEDENT

HOLDING OF ADMINISTRATION IN USAGE OF AN AMERICAN FLAG

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The administration's view of the hoisting of an American flag over the British steamship Lusitania is that, according to high authority, it is customary for nations at war to use other flags and that no protest can be made, but that it would be proper to send Great Britain a note calling attention to the danger that would ensue to neutral shipping if this practice were to be continued.

AGED PROSPECTOR HONORED BY ELKS

FUNERAL OF ELI SCHWEIGER HELD YESTERDAY FROM MORTUARY AT GOLDFIELD

The funeral of Eli Schweiger, the old pioneer miner and prospector of Klondyke, took place yesterday afternoon at Goldfield. It was attended by a number of Elks, the sons of the deceased belonging to that fraternity. An inquest held over the remains developed that death was caused accidentally by the burning of his cabin and the explosion of dynamite stored therein. The two sons, Frank and Jim, the one from Napa and the other from Oroville, Cal., are in Tonopah today, the guests of their old schoolmate, Chief Evans. They autoed out to Klondyke this afternoon to look after the effects of their father.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1915	1914
5 a. m.	33	35
9 a. m.	30	37
12 noon	34	46
2 p. m.	37	48

FIGHTING VIRTUALLY CONTINUOUS ON ENTIRE LINE FROM PLOCK IN POLAND TO TILSIT, A CITY IN EAST PRUSSIA

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Russia, Feb. 9.—Engagements are growing in intensity at the two extremities of the eastern battle front in East Prussia, as well as in the Carpathians. The battle at the front of Warsaw has practically subsided. The line of battle in the eastern war zone is now practically continuous from Plock in Russian Poland as far north as Tilsit in East Prussia. The Germans are taking the offensive in East Prussia. Reinforcements have been sent to stay the Russian advance into Germany.

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Russia, Feb. 9.—The Duma held its first session today since August 9, when it approved the war. It is probable that the session will be marked by events of the greatest importance in the history of Russia. They will relate to the development of Russian political institutions, owing to the changed relationship of the people and the government in consequence of the war.

MINISTER AND HIS HOUSEKEEPER KILLED

BODY OF EACH SHOWED THAT THE COUPLE HAD BEEN STRANGLED

(By Associated Press.)
NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Feb. 9.—Rev. Joseph Zebris, pastor of the Lutheran church, and his housekeeper were found dead today, the victims of either murder or suicide. The body of the priest was found on the floor of the church. He had been shot and strangled. The police say that the body of the woman showed indications of strangling. It was found in the rectory.

MEAT TRUST GETS ORDER OF OUSTER

COMPANIES MAY CONTINUE IN BUSINESS IF THEY PAY FINES AND OBEY LAW

(By Associated Press.)
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 9.—The packing firms of Armour, Swift, St. Louis Dressed Beef, Hammond and Norris have been found guilty of violating the state anti-trust law by the supreme court of the state of Missouri in an opinion handed down today. An ouster order has been issued, but the companies are permitted to remain in the state and continue to do business if they pay the fines and hereafter conform to the law. Each company mentioned was fined \$25,000.

CHINESE OFFICIALS USING MOTOR CARS

ONLY POORER FAMILIES NOW RIDE IN OLD PEKING CART

(By Associated Press.)
PEKIN, Feb. 9.—The motor car has at last come to Peking, taking the place with Chinese officials of the old Peking cart. Only a few Manchurian families now ride in the cart, without which no government official of the late regime dared to be. Picturesqueness has gone, for the modern motor car does not permit the retinue of robed outriders on little long-maned Mongol ponies. Only the president's motor car is now escorted by mounted men, and they wear modern military uniforms. The escorts of other officials ride on the footboards of the motor cars. On the occasion of the recent visit of a prominent general to Peking these escorts carried revolvers in their hands.

DAMAGE DONE BY WIND AND WATER

APARTMENT HOUSE AT REDONDO BEACH IS WASHED INTO THE OCEAN

(By Associated Press.)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 9.—Redondo Beach and other coast towns were heavy sufferers from the south-easter which swept in from the sea last night. An apartment house at Redondo Beach was washed into the ocean. An inch and a half of rain fell at Los Angeles and the streets are streams of water. The lowlands at Venice and other nearby places are flooded.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—Storm warnings are still flying. The heaviest rains of the season are falling in southern California. The central and northern portions of the state are also receiving their share.

MILLIONAIRE DIES AT ADVANCED AGE

WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF STEEL INDUSTRY IN THIS COUNTRY

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Norman B. Ream, financier and director of many railroads, banks and industrial institutions, died today, aged 71 years. He was one of the organizers of the steel industry in the United States and was one of the twenty-five richest men in America.

JEWISH REFUGEES ARE BECOMING A PROBLEM

(By Associated Press.)
ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Feb. 9.—The large numbers of Jewish refugees who are reaching this city from Palestine are becoming a serious problem here. They are brought without charge by the American cruiser Tennessee from Jaffa, and available accommodations here are already strained to the uttermost. The refugees report that a pronounced anti-Semitic persecution has been started around Jaffa, owing to the charge that the Jews favor the allies.

Turks Claim to Be Successful

(By Associated Press.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 9.—An official announcement refers to the "successful reconnoitering march" of the Turks on Egypt. It says that some companies of Turkish infantry crossed the Suez canal. The announcement concludes: "Our vanguard will keep in touch with the enemy until our main force comes to make the attack."

RAY GALLAGHER IN JAIL FOR CADETTE

HIS PARTNER ON TRIAL ON CHARGE OF VIOLATING WHITE SLAVE LAW

When Chief Evans and his men made the round-up of the "cadets" of Tonopah, they were told jokingly that their raid would not be complete unless they got Ray Gallagher. Well, Ray is in jail and, owing to the absence of Coroner Dunseath on a murder case, nothing has been done for him except to provide him with board and lodging. He was picked up night before last on Corona avenue. Ray has already had two runs out of town, but he isn't like Jeffries. His partner, Roy Craig, is now up before the United States court at Carson City on a white slavery charge. His arrest was made through information furnished by the Tonopah police department.

LITTLE CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

MAN SCALDED WHEN HE MAKES ATTEMPT TO RESCUE THEM

(By Associated Press.)
RICHMOND, Cal., Feb. 9.—Sarah and Verna Carlson, aged respectively four and two and one-half years, were burned to death today when their home was destroyed. The mother locked the children in and went to a grocery store. Walter Sampson was scalded by the explosion of the kitchen boiler when he attempted to rescue the children.

SCORE OF MINERS ENTOMBED BY FLOOD

(By Associated Press.)
NANAIMO, British Columbia, Feb. 9.—Twenty-two miners are entombed in the South Wellington coal mine as the result of a flood from an old working. Desperate efforts to rescue the men are being made. Physicians have been summoned.

Bombardments In Black Sea

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Feb. 9.—The Turkish cruiser Midirli, formerly the Breslau, owned by Germany, bombarded Yalta, a Russian port on the Black sea in Crimea. In retaliation Russian cruisers went to the Turkish side of the Black sea and bombarded Trebizond. Four stores were damaged at Yalta. Turkish cruisers are said to have sunk a Russian vessel in the Black sea.

NEVADA CINNABAR SHIPS QUICKSILVER

METAL QUOTED AT \$52.50 PER FLASK OF 75 POUNDS AND PRICE RISING

A shipment of quicksilver consisting of 350 flasks has been sent out from the property of the Nevada Cinnabar company, located at Lone, Nev., according to a report received at the local office of the company. The metal is now quoted around \$52.50 per flask in New York, and, according to the opinion prevalent in the trade, is likely to go higher in the near future, says the Salt Lake Tribune. This will be due, it is said, to the shutting off of exportation from all foreign sources.

The best advice is to the effect that no metal is reaching the United States, due to the contraband rulings by all of the European powers at war. Inquiries are beginning to pour into the local offices of the company regarding the price of the product and the terms of sale.

The Scott furnace is now producing the metal at capacity, the walls having become thoroughly charged so that the metal flows from the furnace with regularity, increasing and decreasing according to the richness of the ore treated. About 25 flasks of the metal are being produced per day.

According to the management, this production will be increased in the near future, due to the fact that recently there has been encountered at the mine a much richer body of ore than ever opened up in the past. Though the extent of the new ore body has not been determined with any degree of accuracy, the management is of the opinion that it will be considerably larger than some of the other ore bodies mined.

WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS PRINTED AT FRONT

(By Associated Press.)
DUNKIRK, Feb. 9.—Almost every long stretch of trench has its weekly newspaper, which combines sober official orders and reports of the week's fighting with humorous sallies and personal jottings of the most intimate character. A recent review of the "Trench Press" shows a list of nearly a score of periodicals which have been published with sufficient continuity to justify their mention as "established papers."

DYESTUFFS ARE NO LONGER GERMAN IMPORTATIONS

(By Associated Press.)
LEEDS, ENGLAND, Feb. 9.—It is announced that the chemical department of Leeds university has succeeded in manufacturing a cheap dyestuff for use in dyeing khaki for soldiers' uniforms. Hitherto England had been compelled to use dyestuffs of German manufacture on all khaki cloth.